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## MEDIA ADVISORY

## Falls Church Police Offer "Refuse To Be A Victim®" Seminar Friday, July 8, 2005

FALLS CHURCH, VA. – The City of Falls Church Police Department will offer a free Refuse to Be a Victim<sup>®</sup> Crime Prevention Seminar Friday, July 8, 2005 from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. The seminar is open to the public and will be held in the City Hall Training Room, 300 Park Ave., Falls Church, VA 22046.

The seminar, designed by the National Rifle Association for use across the country, has taught more than 26,000 people easy-to-understand methods geared towards awareness and avoidance of criminal attack. Participants walk away with the tools they need to develop their own safety plan-a key to preventing criminal attack.

A certified instructor from the Falls Church Police Department will help seminar participants better understand criminal thinking and provide tips on maximizing home, automobile, travel, telephone, technological, and personal security. Participants learn unbiased information about carjacking prevention strategies; self-defense training options; and the use of devices such as pepper spray, Mace, and stun guns.

Officer Derrica Wilson, the City's certified Refuse To Be A Victim<sup>®</sup> instructor, is also available to conduct public service seminars in other communities and places of business upon request.

To register or for more information call Officer Wilson at 703-248-5100, ext. 7049 or e-mail <a href="mailto:dwilson@ci.falls-church.va.us">dwilson@ci.falls-church.va.us</a>.

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**WHERE:** City Hall Training Room, 300 Park Ave., Falls Church, VA 22046

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